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Choir anniversary

The Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church will have their first children's choir anniversary on Sunday, June 8 at 3 p.m.

Dean Frederick from Gulfport will be the speaker.

Car wash

The Lutheran Church of the Pines will have a car wash on Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. til at the K-Mart parking lot.

The proceeds will benefit the Lutheran Church of the Pines youth.

Benefit dinner

There will be a benefit dinner at 614 St. Francis St. on Saturday, June 7 at 11:30 a.m. for the Valena C. Jones Children's Choir.

Cost of the meal is \$4.75 per plate.

Prayer breakfast

The Kiwanis Club of Hancock County will hold a prayer breakfast on Tuesday, June 10, 7-8 a.m.

Guest speaker will be the Reverend Kenneth Rector of St. John's Cathedral in Gulfport.

The breakfast will be held at the St. John's Office on Tuesday, June 10.

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Lampley wins Ward 3 seat

BY BETSY GAGNET

The third time was the charm for Connie Payne Lampley as she captured 92 percent of the vote in the Ward 3 city council race in Bay St. Louis, soundly defeating Independent candidate Thomas P. "Tom" Clarke by 345-28 votes.

Lampley will be the second woman to take a seat on the city council for next term, following Carleen Murphy Moran who won the seat in Ward 1. It will be the first time in the city's history that two women will serve simultaneously.

"I want to thank all the people who supported me, especially my family," an excited Lampley said. "Without them I couldn't have done half the things I needed to do."

It has been a long, tough road for Lampley who finished second in the city's closest primary to face Charles Johnson in the runoff. She defeated Johnson to enter the general election against Clarke.

"I have been campaigning since February," Lampley said. "I had signs up at the end of February and began going door to door in March."

Lampley said she is eager to get to work, and will go "into office and do the best job for the

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Rogers out; "Vonnie" returns

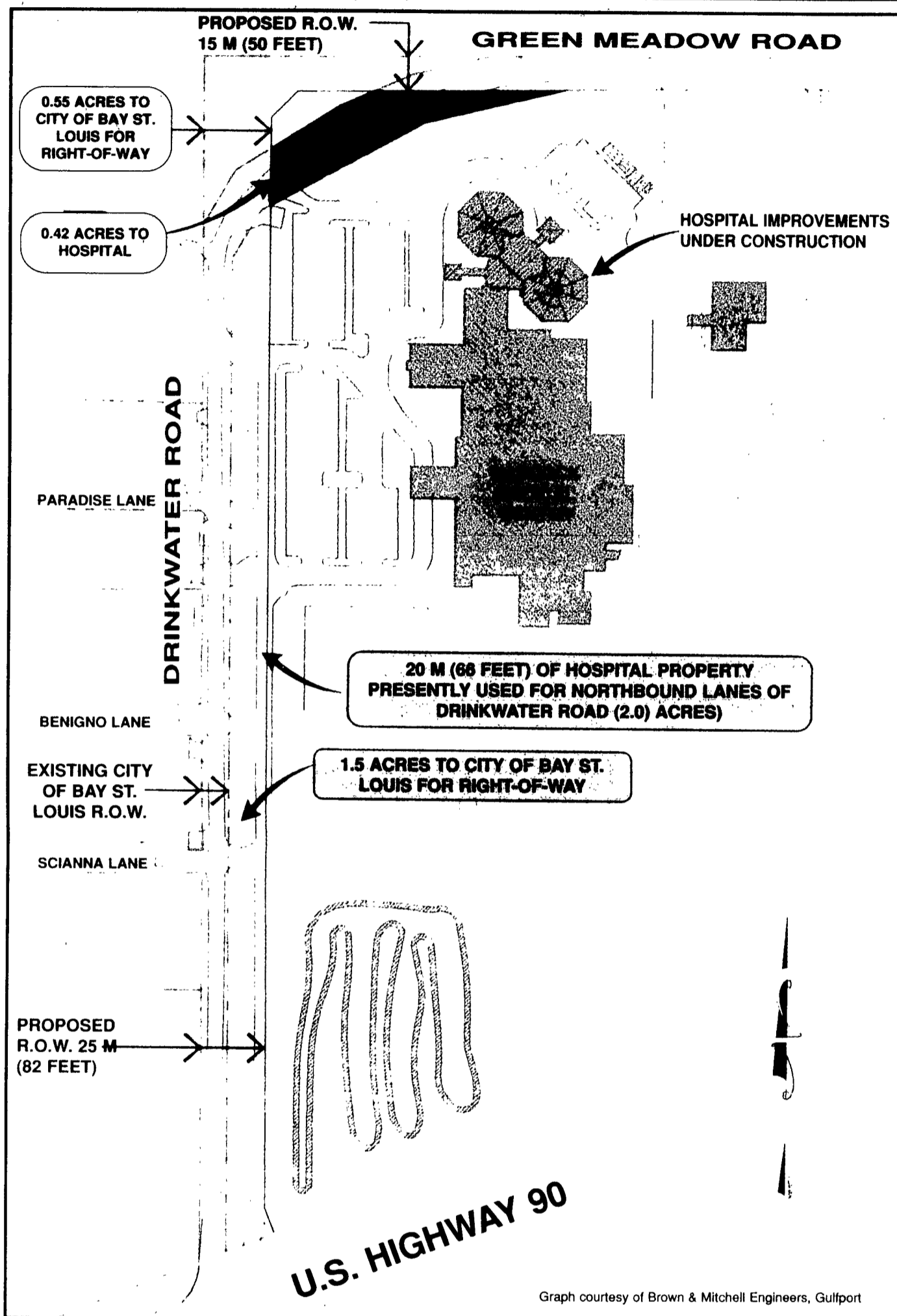
BY ED LEPOMA

Voters turned away a three-term incumbent and re-elected the Ward 4 incumbent in general elections Tuesday for Pass Christian's Board of Aldermen.

After affidavits were counted, the complete but unofficial tally showed Republican newcomer Leo A. "Chipper" McDermott beating incumbent Democrat Gene Rogers 818 to 409, or 67 percent to 33 percent, to win the city's At-Large seat.

Yvonne "Vonnie" Bodenschatz, the incumbent in Ward 4, this time ran as a Republican and turned back a challenge by Democrat Arthur Balch. Bodenschatz captured 327

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Drinkwater road improvements

After prodding by Mayor Eddie Favre, Hancock County supervisors have reversed their original rejection and have approved

plans to improve roads surrounding the Hancock County Medical complex. For complete story, see page 3.

D'head pilot chases record

BY BILL ROBBINS

If Charlie Horton's friends in an unusual Diamondhead neighborhood could have been with him a couple of months ago, all of them would probably have stood a little taller, holding their heads a little higher, as they listened to words that,

in a sense, honor them all. "It's a thrill to run these races, to set records and receive awards," the prize-winning, record-setting flyer told a group assembled for an awards ceremony in Washington last

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Blast concerns Ansley residents

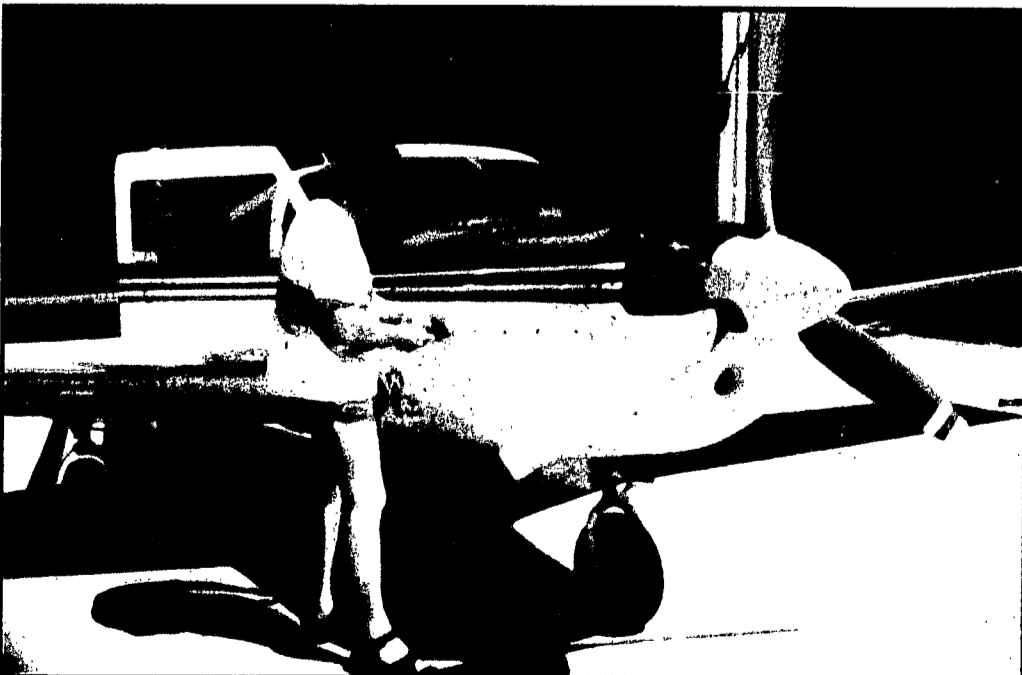
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BY MARY G. SEILEY

The fireball that blasted dozens of Hancock County residents from sleep early Monday morning still raged in their minds Tuesday, despite efforts

to assure the Ansley community of safety.

Damage from the explosion and fire "may not be physical, but a lot of people here will

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Pre-flight inspection

Charlie Horton prepares to inspect the speedy Comanche 400's engine before a combination test run and recreational fly-in to Dauphin Island, Alabama.

CLARENCE WIGGINS
CHARLES E. WIGGINS
RUFUS LAFONTAINE
LONG GREEN
MARTIN SCHUBERT
ROSE D. SMITH
ERCELLE WALL
BONNIE LOU WOODS

CLARENCE WIGGINS
 Clarence Wiggins, 78, of St. Louis, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at his home in St. Louis. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Wiggins, where he was a deacon and served as past chairman of the deacons. He was a member of the church choir for 40 years. He was preceded in death by a son, Joseph Martin Brelend. Survivors include his wife, Virginia Collins Brelend; two daughters, Laura Koch, both of Wiggins, and Beth Johnson of Pass Christian; a son, Bill Brelend, a sister, Betty Sue Roberts, both of Wiggins; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday evening at Moore Funeral Home in Wiggins. Services were conducted Monday at First Baptist Church of Wiggins. Burial was in Brelend Family Cemetery in Wiggins.

The family prefers memorials to First Baptist Church of Wiggins Music Ministry.

CHARLIE B. DAVIS
 Charlie Bennett Davis, 57, of

Long Beach, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at his home in Long Beach. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Wiggins, where he was a deacon and served as past chairman of the deacons. He was a member of the church choir for 40 years. He was preceded in death by a son, Joseph Martin Brelend. Survivors include his wife, Virginia Collins Brelend; two daughters, Laura Koch, both of Wiggins, and Beth Johnson of Pass Christian; a son, Bill Brelend, a sister, Betty Sue Roberts, both of Wiggins; and four grandchildren.

RUFUS LAFONTAINE
 Rufus "Pete" Lafontaine, 79, of Ansey, died Monday, June 2, 1997, in St. Louis. Mr. Lafontaine was a member of Lakeshore and Baptist. He was an active member of the American Legion Post 77 in Waveland, DAV Chapter 5, Gulfport, and VFW Post 4506, Lakeshore. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lillie Barr Lafontaine; a stepson, Clinton Luther; a daughter, Debbie Lafontaine; his parents, Horace and Sedonia Lafontaine; and two sisters, Alice Barr and Emelda Green.

Services were conducted Sunday at Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach. Burial was in Gulf Pines Memorial Gardens in Long Beach.

MARTIN SCHUBERT
 Martin Schubert, 84, of Bay St. Louis, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Schubert was sent from Edmond Fahy Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis to Dobie Funeral Home in Mathis, Texas, for services and burial.

ROSE D. SMITH
 Mrs. Rose Dawsey Smith, 85, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, in Piquette.

Mrs. Smith was a native of Hancock County and a homemaker. She was a nurse's aid in medical care and a member of Wolf Creek Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George Washington Smith; a son, Louis Putnam Smith; and a daughter, Lula Shaw.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Dawsey of Pearlman; a son, Leslie Smith of Pass Christian; and seven grandchildren.

Visitation was Sunday evening and Monday morning at Wolf Creek Baptist Church in Pass Christian. Burial was in Turtleskin Cemetery in Nicholson.

McDonald Funeral Home in Piquette was in charge of arrangements.

ERCELLE WALL
 Ercele Wall, 85, of Nashville, Tenn., died Friday, May 30,

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Mrs. Woods, a native of Lumberton, was a member of Pilgrim Bound Baptist Church, the senior choir and the church choir.

Survivors include four daughters, Anni Ruth Thomas and Leona Jones, both of St. Louis, and two sons, Frank L. Woods Jr. of New Orleans, and 12 grandchildren.

Visitation will be Saturday, June 7, at 10 a.m. followed by services at 11 a.m. at Pilgrim Bound Baptist Church in Piquette. Burial will be in Piquette Cemetery.

Baykous Funeral Home in Piquette is in charge of arrangements.

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St. Paul open enrollment

Sister Kathleen Curran, principal at St. Paul Catholic Elementary School, announces open enrollment for the 1997-98 school year has begun.

Located in Pass Christian, St. Paul is the oldest Catholic elementary school on the Coast. The school offers pre-kindergarten through sixth grade classes with fully certified faculty as well as physical education, remedial reading, computer, music and art classes. The school also employs a full-time counselor and offers an after care school program.

Students must be five years old by Sept. 1 to enter kindergarten and six years old by Sept. 1 to enter first grade. Pre-kindergarten is open to 4-year-olds. Spaces are open in several classes for the upcoming year although they are being filled quickly, said Sr. Kathleen. The school has a non-discriminatory policy for admissions.

To enroll in the school or for information, call 452-7359. The office will be open during most of the summer months.

Meeting changed

The first regular June meeting of the Bay St. Louis City Council has been rescheduled for tonight at 6. There will be no workshop prior to the meeting.

HMC volunteer orientation

Hancock Medical Center Auxiliary volunteer chairman Theresa Bourgeois announces orientation classes will be Monday, June 23 and Monday, June 30 from 9 a.m.-noon in the hospital classroom.

Auxiliary members assist the hospital staff in numerous departments, in addition to manning the information desk in the front and back lobbies. New volunteers are required to attend the orientation classes to familiarize them with the hospital environment.

Those interested in information or wishing to register for the classes may contact Bourgeois at 467-8748 or 467-7792.

ST. ANN-ST. JOHN NEWS

Thoughts for meditation:
 Fire is the test of gold; adversity is the test of strong men.

Yet, O Lord, you are my Father. I am the clay. You are the potter; I am the work of your hands. Help me see the creativity of your handiwork in those around me. Amen.

Your sin will follow you like a shadow.

—Verse
 I, even I, am he who blot out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

Isaiah 43:25
 Our goal is not to try harder, but to trust more.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship.

Ephesians 2:8-10
 I am not what I ought to be. I am not what I wish to be. I am not even what I hope to be.

But by God's grace and Christ's love

I am not what I was. This is what the Lord says to you: "Do not be afraid or discouraged... for the battle is not yours, but God's."

II Chronicles 20:15
 There will be visitation of the parish sick and shut-ins today and Friday, June 6.

Friday, June 6, first Friday of the month, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament immediately after St. Ann's 8:30 a.m. Mass. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until noon.

The Waveland property party is scheduled for Saturday, July 5 at 6 p.m. All who purchased tickets are invited.

It still isn't too late. Just give the rectory a call.

In your kindness, please pray for Deacon Mike Snyder and Deacon Mike Nance who will be ordained Saturday, June 7.

A special benefit is planned for Barbara Nacian at the Old St. Ann's Mass on Lower Bay Street Saturday, June 7. What ever help you can offer will be appreciated.

Sacrament of Reconciliation before all masses and anytime by appointment. Please call the rectory at 467-4745.

Pre-Baptismal instructions for parents and grandparents are held the last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Parents of the children to be baptized should be attending Mass on a regular basis.

Please notify the rectory of the names of any who desire to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick or the Sacrament of Reconciliation at home.

He who plants a garden works hand in hand with God. —Malloch

Lord, teach me to plant the seeds that help meet the needs of others and to remember that it is You who blesses the works of my hands. Amen.

I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow.

I Corinthians 3:6

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Supers give Bay St. Louis green light for Drinkwater road improvements

BY ED LEPONA

After an explanation from Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, Hancock County supervisors have given the green light to improvements planned for major roads encircling Hancock Medical Center.

Just last week, by a 3-2 vote, supervisors turned thumbs down on the city's plans to use \$670,000 in state and federal funds to realign Drinkwater, the main road leading into the busy hospital complex, and widen and install subsurface drainage on Green Meadow Road.

Board President Philip Moran and District Supervisors Jeep Ladner and Rocky Pullman were concerned that motorists would use the improved Green Meadow Road as a shortcut to get to Casino Magic because it connects to Blue Meadow Road, now the only main artery going to the casino from Hwy. 90.

Favre was on the agenda last week, but sent Ron Vanney, his

public works chief, Don Olson, who heads community development, and Dak Alexander, a design engineer with Brown & Mitchell, to make the presentation to supervisors. They came away stunned after the 3-2 vote, and Vanney said he would discuss "alternatives" with the mayor.

Favre wasn't interested in alternatives. This time, he came with Don Clark, Brown and Mitchell's lead engineer, and with a more-defined drawing of what was actually planned. Ward 1 Councilman Charles Scianna also spoke on the project's behalf.

"I've come to ask you to reconsider your vote of last week," said Favre. He contended that the city would actually take less of the county right-of-way than it now uses under the current road plan.

He added the road work would greatly improve the traffic flow to the busy hospital complex and surrounding professional offices, and help to re-

lieve some of the pressure created daily by school buses coming out of Blue Meadow Road from Bay High School.

Scianna said the city had looked into improving streets around the hospital "going back to 1988."

"This is not just something we picked out of the air," said Scianna.

Ladner asked if a traffic light would be installed at the busy intersection of Drinkwater and Hwy. 90.

Favre replied that the last time state highway department officials checked, there wasn't enough traffic to generate a light, but he would request another count soon. Estimates are a signal light now costs \$100,000 to install, and the city would have to bear that expense if MDOT thinks one is warranted.

Favre insisted that there will be no signage installed in the area showing motorists the road could be used as a shortcut to Casino Magic. He also promised the city—not the county—

would maintain the improved roadway.

Moran asked Favre, "What if the casino acquired more land and wanted to do it?"

"That's not going to happen," Favre assured him. He said casino officials have informed him "they want their own road from highway 90 to their site," and have begun putting land together for that purpose.

District 2 Supervisor Lisa Cowand made the motion to reconsider. It passed 3-2 with Moran joining Cowand and District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour.

Seymour and Cowand had supported the original request, with Moran saying the improvements would better control the traffic flow and lure additional professional offices into the Hancock Medical complex.

Monday, he reminded supervisors that Bay St. Louis was actually using \$670,000 out of its own coffers to improve a portion of what is actually county roadway, and was matching it with another 20 percent of their own monies.

After the vote to reconsider, the motion to rescind their past actions passed 5-0, then the motion to approve the roadway improvements also passed unanimously.

As envisioned, Drinkwater coming off Hwy. 90 will be turned into a boulevard with two 12-foot lanes on each side separated by a 20-foot-wide median. The northbound lane connecting to Drinkwater would be two 12-foot lanes tapering into one lane as it intersects and connects to Green Meadow Road. The present 90-degree curve leading into Green Meadow will be taken out. Instead, stop signs would be installed at

the end of Drinkwater, with motorists directed to turn right onto Green Meadow or left onto Drinkwater. Green Meadow to Blue Meadow Road would also be two 12-foot-wide lanes, and subsurface drainage will be installed throughout the project.

The hospital's board of directors had already approved the design plans.



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hardly ever sleep again because they don't know if they're going to wake up to the same thing," one angry woman said.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co. officials and county emergency personnel spent more than an hour in a heated exchange with area residents Tuesday night at Gulfview Elementary School, not far from the site of a blast and fire at the company's compressor station on Lower Bay Road.

Officials blamed the incident on one or more bolts that failed to contain a pipeline connection. Gas leaking from the line was detected by sensors, causing an automatic shutoff of gas to the building. But something within the building sparked a major explosion that rattled windows and jolted area residents from sleep.

Officials said the city will remain in the area until the cause of the hardware failure is determined. Tests are underway to determine the cause of the hardware failure.

That, however, was little consolation to citizens who spoke out at Tuesday's meeting. "You don't have to wait for that," one speaker said. "We know the results: an explosion."

Citizens expressed concern over the gas company's lack of full-time security or technicians at the plant site and the possibility of vandalism or sabotage. They also quizzed company officials on the extent of routine maintenance and official inspections at the plant and the chances of an even larger explosion.

Other concerns were raised about who was in charge at the scene, and why residents weren't evacuated.

"If this was a wake-up call,

we're all awake now," said one woman, who charged that annual maintenance inspections are inadequate. "I feel like if somebody would have been checking out this thing, he would have seen that screw was malfunctioning. Once a year is not enough. This maintenance that you call just once a year, it's no good."

Two men said they dashed to the plant gate after the explosion and copied down an 800-telephone number to report an emergency. "They did not know nothing about it," one man reported of the response.

"I went down there and called the same number and didn't get nobody," another man said. Meanwhile, some citizens said they called 911 and found lines busy — a situation that an emergency official said is virtually impossible. But the Sheriff's Department didn't get an official notice of the incident from the gas company, the meeting was told. Rather, they learned of it through a citizen's call.

Hancock County Civil Defense Director Bobby Boudin called a meeting Wednesday of area police and fire emergency representatives to rehearse the response and determine what mistakes, if any, were made. He said he's checking out whether he should report the matter to federal officials who have oversight of interstate gas lines, a step that some citizens said should have been taken immediately.

Meanwhile, Boudin said residents worried that they may have been showered with asbestos can be assured otherwise — thanks to lab tests of debris that blew into some yards. While the building did contain some as-

bestos material, he said, it was contained on the property.

Taking most of the heat during Tuesday's meeting were Randy Schorre, Southern Division director of Tennessee Gas, and Gary O'Dom, the company's area manager.

While they conceded that a massive fireball shot forth from the incident, they also insisted that the company's monitoring systems had responded as designed and shut off the flow of gas that had leaked into the compressor building. And they told the audience that failure of a bolt wouldn't have been averted if the building had been manned at the time.

But citizens were infuriated to learn that the company's closest worker, who was dispatched to the scene, lives in the Kiln area, miles away from Lower Bay Road.

They also were angry to learn that federal Department of Transportation inspectors notify the company weeks in advance of inspections — and they review paperwork rather than examining the plant's hardware and systems.

County Supervisor "Jeep" Ladner said the high level of concern that citizens expressed Tuesday should be channeled into community involvement with safety — few people show up for non-emergency public forums on the issue of safety, he said.

Boudin, meanwhile, said he plans to call a public forum featuring all the area's major industries.

"With industry comes problems," Boudin said. "You've got to face it. If you don't want industry you've got to go live way up in the woods somewhere."

Pate comments on gas fire

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

Hancock County Fire Marshal Richard Pate on Wednesday, offered high praises for the county's emergency services response to the Tennessee Gas (El Paso Energy Corp.) fire early Monday morning.

Pate said, "As far as I can determine, the responding fire departments, sheriff's officers and

American Medical Response personnel did everything according to our operating procedures for such an incident."

"I know for a fact for the past five years since I have been the county's fire marshal, fire officials, law enforcement and AMR representatives have met with Tennessee Gas (El Paso

Energy Corp.) safety personnel annually to discuss procedures in case of such an incident," Pate said.

Pate continued, "Upon my arrival on the scene Monday morning, a few minutes after the incident, I concurred with the fire department on the scene that no evacuation of anyone in Ansley was necessary at the time."

"The initial responding fire department, BaySide Park, did just what we have been advised to do by the gas company's officials. Within in a matter of a short time, plant officials had arrived and agreed with responding officials' decision that it was not necessary to evacuate anyone. They also had the situation in hand by turning off the control valves," Pate said.

"As far as I can determine, the gas company's equipment did exactly what it was supposed to do," Pate added.

Pate, who has been in Hancock County for over 25 years, stated, "I have never heard of any major incident at the pumping station. Plant officials place emphasis on safety and the concern for the well-being of residents of the surrounding area."

Pate said that if anyone has any concerns or wants more information, he will be happy for them to contact him at his office, 467-4709.

Texas man arrested

BY RICHARD MEEK

A Texas man was arrested on Interstate 10 early Tuesday morning and booked with intent to distribute cocaine.

Walter Salinas, of Pasadena, Texas, 26, is being held in the Hancock County Justice Facility on a \$50,100 bond after his arrest at approximately 3 a.m. on Tuesday, said Jimmy Varnell, Waveland Police Chief and director of the Hancock County Narcotics Task Force.

Varnell said Salinas was initially stopped for weaving in the roadway. He said there was a canine alert on the vehicle, and that further inspection turned up five ounces of cocaine. The vehicle also had an improper tag.

Salinas' initial court date is set for July 1.

The officers involved in-

cluded Tim Broder, Abe Long, J.J. Roberts, Jimmy Esposito, Mike Delacruz and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office canine "Argo."

Drug education

The Hancock County Task Force of Save Our Children officially opens summer camp next Monday.

Parents especially are invited to the center at 405 Ne-caise for a Drug Education program scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 10.

Corporal Ernest Taylor of the Bay St. Louis police department will conduct the program.

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QUOTES

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Looks like we have set a record of three days in a row without rain for the year this week.

Usually the month of April is the month of showers, but it has spilled over into May and June.

Many residents are having problems keeping their lawns cut, especially those with riding mowers.

I know one thing for sure, I must have a good crop of crayfish by the number of mounds in my yard.

The only problem with the crayfish is that they are too small to eat.

It is good that Bay St. Louis is working on our drainage problems.

We all hope never to see another 12 inches of rain to fall in seven hours. There are no drainage systems in this country capable of handling this much water.

This afternoon from 1 to 3 the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a *Finding Money for your Business* seminar.

There may still be a few openings. There is a \$15 per person fee required. If interested, you may give the chamber a call at 467-9048 for more details.

Have you noticed how white the sand is now on the Bay St. Louis beaches?

If you remember, when it was pumped in it appeared to be dull and dirty in color.

I see a lot of beach lovers using our sand beaches, and many of them are local residents.

Our beaches are nice, and I am hoping beach users will collect their litter and properly dispose of it.

We need to keep our beaches nice and clean all the time.

Mississippi Economic Council

Favoritism in courts? The people think so

Have Mississippians lost faith in their courts?

An independent market research firm commissioned by the Mississippi Economic Council asked voters statewide if they think Mississippi criminal and civil courts are fair to everyone, or whether they think there is favoritism. The results are shocking. Only 31 percent think courts are fair, and 45 percent say there is favoritism. The others don't know.

And black citizens are even more skeptical. Less than 25 percent say criminal courts are fair, and nearly 58 percent say there is favoritism. Civil courts fair only slightly better, with 32 percent saying there is fairness and 47 percent saying there is favoritism.

Jackson metropolitan area residents hold an especially low opinion of both civil and criminal courts. Less than 17 percent say criminal courts are fair, and 15 percent say the same about civil courts.

The survey points to a growing nationwide problem. Mississippians, and Americans in general, have lost confidence in their judicial system. A similar poll in North Carolina shows results mirroring those in

Mississippi.

Why? Widely publicized big-buck settlements of class-action lawsuits and reports of criminals tweaking the system and escaping punishment for dastardly crimes contribute. Give trial lawyers some of the credit. Billboards, television spots and phone book covers urge you to sue somebody, and "There's no fee or expenses unless I collect for you."

Mississippi's recent Supreme Court elections saw special-interest groups line up behind candidates. There was a public outcry, and citizens told MEC they want a change. Yet, the Mississippi Legislature has declined to allow voters an opportunity to amend the Constitution so appellate judges can be chosen based on qualifications rather than their ability to raise funds and make political speeches.

And so it goes. The surveys tell a disturbing story about public recognition of the ills of the judicial system. But despite the public's frustration, policymakers are reluctant to address the problem.

Let them eat cake.

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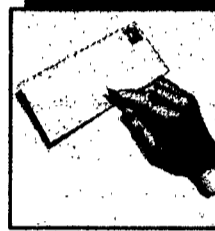
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Rodeo royalty

Mississippi Rodeo Royalty Finding Rodeo princesses began Wednesday with a breakfast at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. They also visited the John C. Stennis Space Center, had lunch with city and county officials at Torgy's on the Green at the Bridges Golf Resort, followed by a trip to the Wave Pool at Buccaneer State Park. The day ended with a shrimp boil at the Gulfport American Legion Home. Princesses who posed for a photo at the chamber's office are, from left, Donna Hudson, Ocean Springs; Ashlee Jordan, Long Beach; Kati Lynn Dedeaux, Bay St. Louis; Dina Holfield, queen, Long Beach; Olivia Dellenger, dTherville; Danielle Lind, Hancock County; Amy Stewart, Gulfport; and Brandy Beckham, Stone County. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Explosion shakes residents

To the Editor: I live in the Ansley community about one-quarter mile from Tennessee Gas pumping station.

At approximately 4:45 Monday morning I was fixing my husband's lunch when Tennessee Gas (El Paso Energy Corp.) pumping station started letting off pressure. At first it did not alarm me as it does this every so often, but when the sound got louder and louder my husband said we better leave.

Then there was an explosion, and the ground shook under us and the sky got red. My husband, daughter, myself and our son and his family left.

It really scared us. We all were afraid it was going to explode again.

Later in the day my sister-in-law talked with Tennessee Gas officials. They downplayed the danger, but they were not here at 4:45 a.m. They did not experience the fear.

The plant is shut down now. We want it to stay that way. Let them relocate their pumping station with a buffer zone around it.

We don't want to experience this sort of thing again.

Beverly Ladner
Ansley Community

BaySide Park resident explains septic systems

To the Editor: In 1896 — 101 years ago — a

Scottishman by the name of Donald Cameron built an airtight tank for his sewerage to run through and found out that no solids came out the other side.

This was a big step forward in disposing of sewerage and attracted the attention of some scientists who found out that anaerobic bacteria had attacked and ate most of the pathogens and eliminated the solids in this sewerage. What came out was different from what went in that tank. They called it effluent.

Various methods called "drainage fields" were devised to dispose of this effluent. The most important requirements is that it be well drained of surface water, that the soil have permeability and that tall grass with long roots be allowed to grow in the field, if necessary, so as to have the most transpiration possible.

This is now called a septic system. It is the only way to completely dispose of sewerage if water is added to it.

If a person has a septic system that is working, it's all automatic. It costs nothing to maintain until something goes wrong, but it's not hard to fix whatever it is that goes wrong.

All the plant nutrients, such as nitrogen, phosphorus, etc. stays in the soil along with the remaining pathogens which starve to death if they are not eaten by nematodes and amoebas.

During the last century most of the cities of the world build sewer systems that don't use the septic airtight tank system but use methane, lime carbon, alum and lime or ferric iron compounds to treat the sewerage.

The costs are from four to 10 times as much, because they also use miles of pipe, pumps, valves, oil, gas, electricity and labor plus the plant, and then dump the contaminated water

in rivers or the ocean.

All the plant nutrients are wasted. This makes the fish sick and they die or are too weak to propagate. The kelp industry on the West Coast is dying. The cod fish on the East Coast are dead. For some unknown reason the Environmental Protection Agency does nothing about this.

The health department was created by Congress to promote the health of citizens by providing help to those who need it, but that's not the way it works as of now.

In order to get elected, a story was fabricated that in the subdivision called BaySide Park, raw sewerage was running into the drainage ditches on the sides of streets.

It is now a year later. These health officials continue to sit in these air conditioned offices instead of going out there to find these unhealthy septic systems that are not working because they know that there are none there.

Now they are trying to promote sewer systems. All this is a waste of taxpayers' money, but the worst part of this story is that they violate their own commitments.

There was a time set beyond which septic tanks were not allowed to be installed without a permit.

The time was July 15, 1996. I had someone put five 750-gallon septic tanks in holes I dug on five lots, June 20.

I sold one lot, but the electric company said they required health department approval before they would furnish electricity.

The health department did not approve the application of the person who bought the lot, so I returned the check to him.

This puts me in a money losing position that I don't deserve. You're next if you own property in BaySide Park.

Bill Quandt
BaySide Park

Engineer says certified septic tanks can operate in most areas of county south of I-10

Dear Editor: Mr. Lepoma's article concerning sewerage south of I-10 in Hancock County deserves a response.

I am professional engineer (registered in seven states) and have designed and certified various systems of sewer treatment and disposal in several states.

It makes me upset to read articles purporting that South of I-10 in Hancock County cannot accept septic tanks.

Septic tanks can function in soils that are of firm texture and above the water table of the land. Of course, there are areas in Hancock County that are in a water table where septic tanks will not function, but that is a small portion of the entire county south of I-10.

Hancock County officials are shirking their primary responsibilities to its citizens of providing for the health, education and well being by not enforcing proper domestic sewerage disposal.

They (county officials) should do as other states do... make it a requirement that a septic tank, or other sewer system, be designed and certified by a knowledgeable engineer before building permits are issued... and then enforce that design and application.

I live in Pearlington, and I am aware of people discharging raw untreated sewerage on top of the ground, into ditches and into waterways. I, and other property owners in Pearlington, have complained to various county, state and federal agencies, and to no avail. Most of our letters receive no response. I am not aware of any other state which fails to address a complaint that untreated raw sewerage is being illegally

discharged.

The sewerage system proposed by Wastewater District #1 is, what it appears to be, a political scheme to support politicians and their activities. Most of the property owners in Pearlington don't want to be part of the system. We feel that eventually we will be paying more than \$55/month for sewerage disposal.

Our West Hancock Fire Protection District requested the Board of Supervisors to advance us \$50,000 to implement a study plan and researching for funds for a sewerage system. The supervisors didn't even show us the courtesy of a letter of response.

I read in Mr. Lepoma's article that the supervisors recently advanced \$150,000 to Wastewater District #1 for them to file a sewerage plan for another subdivision in Hancock County. This is in addition to monies already given to them for filing a sewerage plan.

The handwriting appears on the wall, that we in Pearlington, will eventually fall under the arms of the octopus of Wastewater District #1. We fear that the cost for sewerage services will not be paid by all, but by a few... just like the garbage pick-up service. The people of Hancock County cannot trust our present elected officials. If you don't think I am correct, just wait for your new tax bills!

Respectfully,
Glenn R. Snyder, P.E.
Pearlington

Editor's note: Supervisors loaned the Wastewater District \$15,000 to file a facilities plan. There was a typo (\$150,000) in the original story, and it was corrected.

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste.

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Hurricanes cause havoc far away from coastal areas

It's not only those who live along the East and Gulf coasts who need to worry about this year's hurricane season, say officials of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

When the destructive force of hurricane winds begins to diminish after the storm makes landfall and usually dissipates

rapidly as it moves inland, the danger of devastating floods is another story. FEMA officials point out: The risk of flooding can actually be much worse hundreds of miles away from the coast as the receding hurricane releases its moisture via torrential rains over a wide area.

Hurricane Fran, which

struck the North Carolina coast Sept. 6 last year, is a case in point, according to FEMA director James Lee Witt.

"Although not as strong as some other recent hurricanes (Fran was only a Category 3 out of a possible 5), it was the third costliest in U.S. history in terms of damage," Witt said.

"Much of this damage resulted from flooding that extended from North Carolina all the way to the Great Lakes, including the states of Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio. For example, water was three feet deep in the streets of Old Town Alexandria, Va., across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C."

Records from the National Hurricane Center show that Hurricane Fran caused extraordinarily heavy rains not only in central North Carolina (12 inches), but also in Virginia (18 inches), West Virginia (6 inches), Pennsylvania (8 inches) and Ohio (6 inches).

Nearly half of the 37 deaths attributed to this hurricane were due to flooding in the inland states. And of the estimated \$3.2 billion total property damage from Fran, \$350 million was in Virginia, \$100 million in Maryland, \$40 million in West Virginia, \$80 million in Pennsylvania and \$40 million in Ohio.

"Unfortunately, all too few property owners who suffered flood damage were protected by flood insurance," Witt said. "While hurricane Fran resulted in more than \$200 million in flood insurance claims paid to over 10,000 policyholders, most of the victims did not have flood insurance."

"Many people still don't realize that their homeowners insurance does not cover flood losses," Witt said. "For protection against flood damage, a property owner must purchase a separate flood insurance policy through the National Flood Insurance Program administered by FEMA."

"We're making a concerted effort to communicate the need for flood insurance to the residents of hurricane-prone states before this year's storms start heading their way."

"There is a 30-day waiting period before a new flood insurance policy becomes effective," Witt added, "so people need to take advantage of this protection while there is still time."

Witt also had a warning for people who think they can rely on federal disaster assistance in lieu of flood insurance.

"Disaster assistance is only available when the President issues a major disaster declaration," he said, "and even then it is quite limited — and usually

Mississippi Power ready for season

The opening of the 1997 hurricane season should remind south Mississippi residents that now is the time to prepare for a devastating storm that the area has evaded for more than a decade.

Mississippi Power Company urges citizens to prepare now to better ensure survival and a quicker return to normal life if a hurricane strikes the area this year.

"The Mississippi Gulf Coast is blessed to have been spared from the devastating effects of a hurricane for so long," said Mississippi Power's spokesman Patrick Wylie. "But, we fear that the lull will cause complacency. The memory of Hurricane Camille should help people realize what a tragic mistake that can be."

Mississippi Power has already held numerous storm preparation meetings to ensure its employees are ready in case the worst happens. Disaster procedures have been updated and refined with knowledge gained from sister company Gulf Power's experiences with Hurricanes Opal and Erin in 1995.

"Hurricane Opal left more than a million people in north-west Florida, Alabama and Georgia without electricity,"

said George East, Mississippi Power's manager of system operations and control. "Fortunately, Mississippi Power was able to come to Gulf Power's assistance and we were able to learn from the experience."

East said procedural refinements have come from improving logistics of getting equipment and materials to line crews, to coming up with better methods of communicating with customers. The bottom line, East said, is being able to restore electricity to customers as quickly and safely as possible.

The company's disaster plan includes safety precautions and detailed instructions for personnel to follow before, during and after a storm. Employees are also checking material supplies, condition of equipment and tools, radios and communications systems, all of which are vital in power restoration efforts.

In the event of an approaching hurricane, a select group of employees assemble in the company's storm center in Gulfport. All restoration efforts are coordinated from this center. The company's disaster plan even has a contingency for an alternate storm center site in case the original is deemed

inoperable.

"During and after a storm, employees pitch in and do whatever it takes to get the job of restoration done," Wylie said. "Managers answer telephones, accountants feed line crews and administrative assistants help inventory supplies."

Aside from holding preparedness meetings for employees, Mississippi Power is making arrangements with other utilities to send crews and equipment if heavy storm damage occurs. As part of Southern Company, Mississippi Power would be able to call on its sister companies — Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power and Savannah Electric — for help.

"Hurricanes are natural to our region — we cannot do anything about that," Wylie said, "but we can be prepared to restore electricity as quickly and safely as possible in case a storm hits our area this year."

Mississippi Power Company serves more than 186,000 customers in 23 counties in southeast Mississippi. Mississippi Power is part of Southern Company which serves more than 11 million people in the southeastern United States and is the largest private power producer in the nation.

FEMA advises coastal dwellers to stay prepared for hurricane threat

Faced with the prospect of another active hurricane season, the nation's top emergency manager called on residents of hurricane-prone coastal areas to stay alert to the potential danger posed by these killer storms and to begin early preparations for safeguarding life and property.

"Hurricane Fran last year showed us how devastating these storms can be and the awesome risks that come with being unprepared," James Lee Witt, director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), said in marking the opening of the 1997 hurricane season June 1.

"Our experience also shows us that those who remain alert and plan ahead have the best chance of surviving with the least amount of loss."

In preparing for the coming season, FEMA offered the following basic safety tips to help reduce hurricane risks:

- Recheck your supply of boards, tools, batteries, non-perishable foods and other equipment you will need if the hurricane strikes your area. Remain alert for official National Weather Service hurricane watches and warnings.
- When you are under a hurricane watch, continue normal activities, but stay tuned to radio or television for all National Weather Service advisories.
- Remember a hurricane watch means possible danger. If the danger materializes, a hurricane warning will be issued. Meanwhile, keep alert. Follow official instructions from local and state authorities.

When your area receives a hurricane warning, you should:

- Plan your time before the storm arrives and avoid the last-minute hurry that might leave you marooned or unprepared.
- When directed by local emergency officials, leave low-lying areas that may be swept by high tides or storm waves.
- Moor your boat securely before the storm arrives, or evacuate it to a designated safe area.

- Board up windows, or protect them with storm shutters.

- Secure outdoor objects that might be blown away. Harmless items hurled by high wind become missiles of destruction.

- Store drinking water in clean bathtubs, jugs, bottles and cooking utensils. Your water supply may be cut off by a power loss or contaminated by flooding.

- Check battery-powered equipment — radios and flashlights — and emergency cooking facilities.

- Keep car gas tanks at least half full, since gasoline pumps will not be working if the electricity has been cut off.

If the calm storm center passes directly overhead, be aware that there will be a lull in the wind lasting from a few minutes to a half-hour or more. But also remember that the winds at the other side of the storm's eye rise very rapidly to hurricane force, coming from the opposite direction.

FEMA warns against hurricane assistance fraud

With the coming of the 1997 hurricane season, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) warned that aggressive action will be taken against any criminal attempt to defraud the federal government in connection with disaster aid for hurricane victims.

According to Paul J. Lillis, assistant inspector general for the Investigations Division of FEMA's Office of the Inspector General, the vast majority of people seeking disaster aid are legally entitled to apply for it. However, he noted that 48 individuals were either arrested or convicted over the last 20 months for disaster-related fraud resulting in more than \$19 million in fines, restitution and other federal savings.

"As another hurricane season begins, we find these criminal actions particularly significant because they serve as a reminder that the federal government will arrest and prosecute anyone who attempts to gain illegally from other people's tragic losses," Lillis said.

He emphasized that theft of government property or claim-

ing false hurricane losses are felony charges and carry a maximum five-year prison term and/or a \$250,000 fine.

Lillis noted that two ongoing federal investigative task forces in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands are expected to produce additional indictments and arrests. The task forces, formed to pursue fraud in connection with Hurricane Hugo in 1989 and Hurricane Marilyn 1995, already have led to several successful prosecutions, Lillis said.

FEMA's OIG is responsible for investigating agency programs and operations, including fraudulent applications for Presidential disaster assistance. Prosecution of fraud cases is brought by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Lillis said that anyone who is aware of criminal activity, regarding FEMA disaster assistance can anonymously report the information directly to the OIG by calling the toll-free hotline at 1-800-323-8603. The hotline is in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Hurricane preparation tips

Taking steps to prepare for this year's hurricane season will remove a lot of stress in dealing with the trauma of a natural disaster. Here are some safety tips to help prepare for the event of a hurricane.

- Keep automobiles full of gas during the hurricane season. Gas lines will be long if people are ordered to evacuate.
- If you evacuate your home, remember to bring an ample supply of any prescription medicine a family member requires.
- Have a three- to five-day supply of non-perishable food and enough water (two quarts of water per day) for each family

member. Remember to keep a manual can opener on hand.

- Have a prearranged place to which the family can travel in the event of evacuation. This will help in case the family gets separated. Leave at first notification to avoid traffic jams.

- Purchase extra supplies such as flashlights, batteries, containers to hold water, candles, hand-held radios, paper plates and plastic utensils.

- Have all important papers such as birth certificates, insurance policies, marriage licenses, immunization records and family photos together in an easily accessible place.

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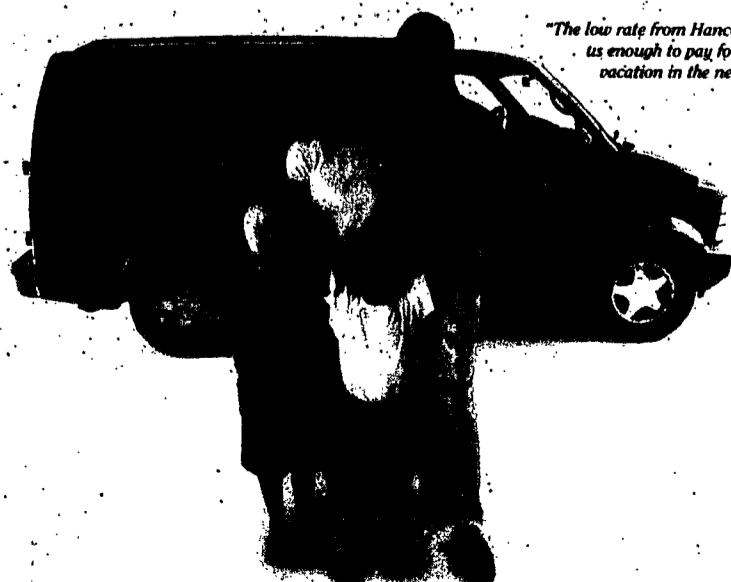


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By Margaret Williamson

"The best kind of gift is the one you give, not receive, and the only kind of love is the kind that's given away."

"Make the most of yourself for that is all there is to you."

"Quiet efficiency."

"To be great is to be misunderstood."

"No one of us is as smart as all of us."

"We are all artists. Some of us are active artists who create, others are passive artists who understand and appreciate the work of others."

"There are no strangers, only friends we haven't met."

"I am an asset to the world while using it to the best of my ability."

"God helps them that help themselves."

"A smile costs nothing but gives much."

"Success is that old ABC ability, breaks, and courage."

"The secret of success is a talent, the talent for hard work."

"If a man's wit be wondering, let him study the mathematics."

"No one knows what he can do until he tries."

"The surest way not to fail is to determine to succeed."

"The bad thing about being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it."

"To accomplish great things we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe."

"Keep your head out of the clouds and your feet on the ground."

"Expect everything good, and some of it is bound to happen."

"Success is getting what you want, happiness is wanting what you get."

"I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday, and I love today."

"Every noble work is at first impossible."

"Home is where mother knows best until daughter takes a course in home

economics."

"You are a shining star no matter who you are."

"It is only with the heart that we can see rightly, what is essential is invisible to the eye."

"I believe in me! You gotta believe in yourself before anyone else will."

"The woods are lovely, dark and deep, but I have promises to keep and miles to go before I sleep, and miles to go before I sleep."

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SCOUT TROOP 20

The Diamondhead Boy Scout Troop 20 invites area Eagle Scouts, former Scout leaders and other Boy Scout supporters to attend their Court of Honor Thursday, June 12 at 1 p.m. at the Diamondhead Baptist Church.

During the ceremony, eligible Scouts will advance in rank and receive merit badges. Refreshments will be served.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Diamondhead Community Church opens its doors again June 11 to the annual American Red Cross blood drive.

Come to the Christian Education Building from 1-4 p.m. The drive is being sponsored by Coldwell Banker/Coast Delta Realty and Diamondhead Supermarket.

HEY KIDS!

To parents and swimmers: Diamondhead Swim Team has started practice for this summer's season at the East Rec. pool Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, 9-10, 10 years and over; 10-10:45 a.m., 10 and under.

Swim fees are \$18 for first child in family, \$15 for second on. Please come out and meet Kelly Curtin, head coach, and Marcella Verdon, assistant. Our kids are winners and need your support. Please call Barbara Gibbons, 255-7149 for info.

ROYALTY AT THE ACADEMY

Dick Alves' production of the play/musical "The Little Princess" with a cast of 25 of our talented kids, starring Stacia Corey and Shannon Morris, and directed by Anne Morris, will be presented June 13 and 14 in Roger's Hall at Diamondhead Academy at 7 p.m.

Tickets at the door are \$3 adult, \$1 for child.

VOLUNTEERS BADLY NEEDED

Please call Judy Jackson (255-4832), activities director at Woodland Village Nursing Home to see how you can help.

Today is "Nurses' Aides Day" hosted by the activity department. Entertainment will be by Ruth and Charles Olivier and their line dancers.

NEW OFFICERS

The Diamondhead Garden

To all graduates

Club had its installation of new officers for 1997-98 at a luncheon/meeting recently at Chappy's Restaurant in Long Beach.

The new ladies with a big job to do are Deborah DeLong, president; Kristin Alyea, vice president; Louise Claunich, second vice; Bobbie Stephens and Gunda Cusick, secretaries; and Christine Sauter, treasurer.

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Diamondhead Women's Club president Pat Morgan was presented a \$1,160 check to be donated equally to the Alzheimers Foundation and Quality Hospice of the Gulf Coast Inc. by Dot Hoskins and her supplier, "Mr. Glad." Diamondhead Women's Club members sold the glads last Thursday, taking shifts during the day. Among those selling the glads were, from left, Pat Outlaw, Linda Williams, Pat Morgan, president; Brierley Acker, secretary; and Dot Hoskins. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Cancer Survivors Day

On Saturday, June 7, people living with cancer and their families are invited to celebrate life, during a special gathering in honor of Cancer Survivors Day.

The Slidell Memorial Hospital Cancer Center is hosting "A Celebration of Life" beginning at noon June 7. The event will be held at the home of SMH Cancer Program coordinator Karen Smith, RN, OCN, CTR, located at 1 Weeping Oak Lake in the Oak Grove Estates subdivision, north of Slidell off Robert Boulevard past Brownswich Road.

"It will be a day filled with smiles, laughter and plenty of hugs," Smith said. "A survivor is anyone living with a history of cancer, from the time of diagnosis through the remainder of life."

Music will be provided for the

festivities. For those who feel up to it, there will be many fun physical activities, such as badminton, horseshoes and croquet.

Smith said that survivors who wish to attend should call 646-0044 to register for this event.

Library program

The Society for Creative Anacronism will demonstrate medieval arts and crafts to kick off the Pass Christian Library's summer reading program on Saturday from 10-11 a.m.

There is no charge. For more information, call 452-4596.

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BUSINESS NEWS

THE SEA COAST ECHO—THURSDAY, June 5, 1997-7

National Small Business Week celebration honors America's leading entrepreneurs

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will honor 52 of America's top small-business owners at national ceremonies in Washington, D.C. during Small Business Week June 1-7. Theme is "Small Business: Building Tomorrow's Economy Today."

The business owners come from each state, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Each has already been named Small Business Person of the Year for a state or territory. One of the 52 will be selected as the national Small Business Person of the Year

during the ceremonies.

Jack P. Harlan, president of Tri-State Pole and Piling, Inc., was recently selected as SBA's Mississippi Small Business Person of the Year. He will attend the ceremonies and represent Mississippi. His company, located in Lucedale, sells treated poles and pilings throughout the United States and also exports its products to several countries. The Bank of Lucedale nominated Harlan for the SBA award.

Each year for the past 34 years, the president has issued a proclamation calling for the celebration of Small Business Week and the SBA has sponsored special events recognizing the achievements of America's outstanding small-business owners.

President Clinton has noted that the partnership between government and business is the key to helping small businesses expand and prosper so that the American economy continues to grow.

Echoing the president's sentiment, SBA Administrator Aida Alvarez said, "It is critical to the economy of our nation that the small-business community continues to flourish. Together with our private-sector partners, our mission at the SBA is to provide entrepreneurs with access to capital and credit, business education and training opportunities, and to serve as an advocate for small business. We acknowledge with pride and gratitude the contributions made by the small-business community to the nation's economic growth and quality of life."

During Small Business week,

the SBA also honors a Young Entrepreneur of the Year, a Small Business Exporter of the Year and individuals who have been outstanding advocates of minority-owned, women-owned and veteran-owned small businesses.

Small-business advocates who work in the news media and in the accounting and financial services fields are recognized, as well as outstanding contractors who do business with the federal government. The Entrepreneurial Success Award is presented to a company that has developed into a large business with SBA assistance.

The state award winners and recipients of the advocate and other special awards are nominated by local trade associations, chambers of commerce and business organizations.

During Small Business Week, the winners meet with top administration officials, members of Congress and leaders of national business organizations. Winners also are honored at ceremonies held in their own states.

The SBA was created in 1953 to help small businesses get started, stay in business and grow. Through its resource partners and a network of more than 100 field offices the agency provides financial, management and government contracting assistance to small firms nationwide.

For information about the SBA and its programs, visit the agency's home page at <http://www.sba.gov> or call the SBA Answer Desk at 1-800-8-ASK-SBA.

Magic sells stake in Argentine casinos

Casino Magic Corp. (Nasdaq: CMAG) has announced the sale of 49 percent of its wholly owned Argentine subsidiary, Casino Magic Neuquen, S.A. to Crown Casino Corporation.

Under the terms of the sale, Casino Magic received \$7 million cash and will continue to manage, for a fee, the casino operations in the cities of Neuquen City and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina.

In addition, Crown Casino, under certain conditions, may fund additional expansion opportunities, which would be

jointly developed.

Casino Magic said that the net proceeds from the sale are intended to be used as part of the development plans for the Mississippi Gulf Coast properties, including the 378-room hotel tower in Biloxi, which is currently under construction.

Casino Magic Corp., with principal offices in Bay St. Louis, operates gaming casinos, through subsidiaries, in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi, Bossier City, La., Neuquen City and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina.

Promotions announced at Grand Casinos Inc.

Grand Casino Gulfport and Grand Casino Biloxi announce the promotion of four associates, two to vice president and one to corporate director.

San Jose, Calif. native Tom Selleck was promoted to vice president of hotel operations at Grand Casino Gulfport. A University of Nevada-Reno graduate (1974), Selleck began his career with the Hilton Hotels Corp. in Las Vegas at the front desk and worked his way to the resident hotel manager at the Flamingo Hilton-Reno.

In 1991, Selleck became director of operations for the Hilton Hotel Systems Department. Selleck joined Grand Casino Biloxi Hotel in 1994 and transferred to Grand Casino Gulfport Hotel in 1995 as hotel director.

Selleck's new responsibilities include all aspects of the hotel, including planning, operations and management.

Dave Thorne is the new vice president of hotel operations at Grand Casino Biloxi. Thorne began his tenure with Grand Casino Biloxi in 1994 as director of human resources. Previously, Thorne served as general manager for two Residence Inns, converted to Ramada to a Radisson, was acting general manager for the Raleigh Radisson, and served six years on the executive staff of the Denver Hilton and Radisson Convention Hotels. He also holds a CHA certification designation through the American Hotel and Motel Association.

Peter Schuch has recently

been promoted to vice president of finance at Grand Casino Biloxi. Schuch's gaming career began in the early 1980's as a stage carpenter at Caesars in Lake Tahoe. Between classes at the University of Nevada, Schuch worked his way through the ranks as a hotel night auditor, revenue auditor, pit clerk and in soft/hard count. His background also includes working as a casino analysis supervisor and financial analyst.

Schuch came to Grand Casino Biloxi in 1993 as revenue manager and was promoted to controller in early 1994. Schuch's responsibilities will include all areas of financial management and financial supervision at Grand Casino Biloxi.

Lon Jerome is the new corporate director of information support operations for Grand Casino Inc. A 1992 graduate of Concordia College, Jerome was born and raised in Lancaster, MN. He also graduated from and taught at Alexandria Technical College, Alexandria, MN. Jerome began his career with Grand Casino Mille Lacs (MN) in 1993 as system support manager and a year later transferred to Grand Casino Avoyelles, LA as director of system.

In 1995, Jerome came to the Mississippi Gulf Coast to head the Southern Regional Systems Department for Grand Casinos. His new responsibilities will encompass all systems operations for the eight Grand Casinos properties, including Stratosphere.

Customers to choose favorite cashiers

Customers at Winn-Dixie stores throughout Louisiana and Mississippi will cast their votes from June 5-18 to determine the winners of Winn-Dixie's annual Favorite Cashier Award.

"Our customers frequently comment on the quality service they receive from Winn-Dixie associates in the checkout lanes," said R. C. Lunn, president, Winn-Dixie Louisiana. "The award evolved from this customer feedback and has become a fun way for customers to let us know how we're doing."

Voting will take place in every Winn-Dixie store, and one Favorite Cashier will be selected at each location. Customers

can vote by completing ballots and placing them in ballot boxes. At the end of the two week program, the cashier with most votes will be named the Favorite Cashier of his/her store.

In case of a tie, the location manager, head cashier and customer service manager will be responsible for selecting the winner, based on past consistent performance. Winning cashiers will be honored at a district luncheon and will receive a Winn-Dixie gift certificate.

"We hope customers will take the opportunity to vote for their favorite cashiers," said Lunn. "It's a great way to recognize the efforts of outstanding associates and to reinforce our commitment to quality customer service."

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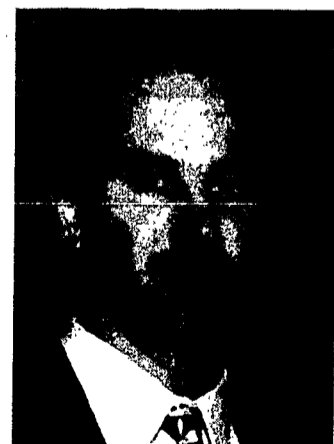
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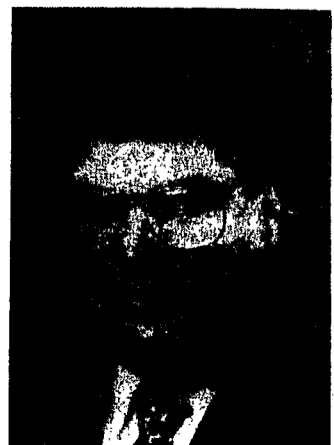
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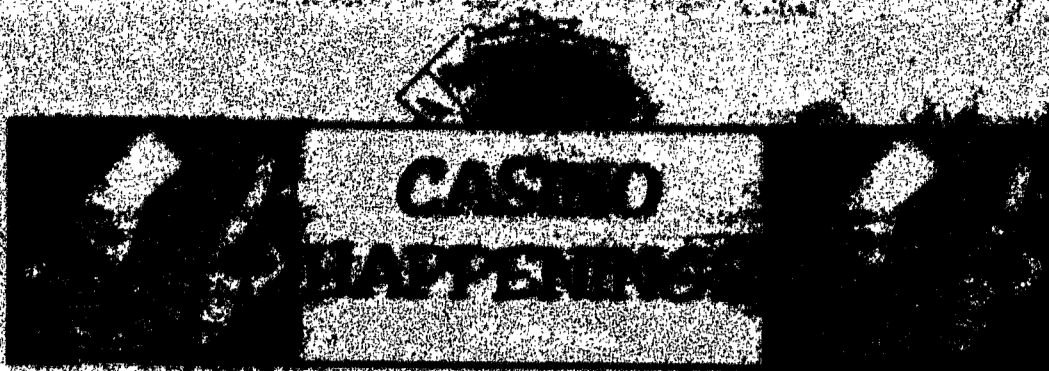
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Red Beans and Rice Cook-off

American Cancer Society's 7th Annual Red Beans and Rice Cook-off will be Monday, June 9, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Magic Dome, Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Entry fee is \$5 at the door. The event is sponsored by Hancock Bank.

There are more than 40 different recipes to sample. There will also be a silent auction. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

For information, contact Chuck Breath, chairman, at 452-3404.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS/SHOOTER

USA Network Fight, Tuesday, June 17.

First bout 7 p.m. John Ruiz vs. Ray Anis (Heavyweight main event).

And NABF Junior Middleweight Champ Steve Martinez vs. Ron Weaver.

Ticket prices: \$10, \$20 and \$30. 1-800-5-MAGIC-5, ext. 4535 or call TicketMaster.

GOLF

Summer Junior Clinics for beginners (ages 12-17) June 23-27, 9 a.m.-noon daily.

Intermediate and Advanced Clinic: July 28-Aug. 1, 9 a.m.-noon daily.

(For ages 7-11) July 14-18, 8:30-10 a.m. daily.

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Promotions

SUMMER FUN GIVEAWAY JUNE 6-18

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis and Casino Magic Biloxi.

Get ready, get set for summer! Guests may register to win a truck and Jet Ski to be given away Saturday, June 28.

Register five every time you visit and stop by the Magic Money Players Club to find out more ways to enter.

Ten finalists will be drawn June 28 at 9 p.m. All finalists receive a key. The key that opens the truck wins both the truck and the Jet Ski. The other nine finalists receive \$100 each. See Magic Money Players Club for rules and regulations.

BEACH BAG GIVEAWAY

June 18-30

At Casino Magic Bay St. Louis and Biloxi guests earning 100 points on the Magic Money card receive a free beach bag.

Must earn a minimum of 100 points within 24 hours to receive a bag. Points must be earned on the day of redemption.

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Registration tickets are placed into a barrel. A total of \$5,000 will be awarded the first of each month with distribution as follows:

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- 1 winner: \$1,000
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See Magic Money Players Club for information.

Double Points

Each Tuesday in June Magic Money Players Club members receive double cash points and double Christmas Shopping Points. Magic Money membership is free. Starts June 10.

Tournaments

Free Video Poker Slot Tournament (No entry fee)

Wednesday, June 18 at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis only.

\$1,000 in cash prizes. Registration 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Tournament begins at noon.

Final round: 4:30 p.m. Space limited to first 140 guests.

For information, call 467-9257, ext. 4277.

Charity Slot Tournament

Benefiting the Hancock County Senior Citizens Center Monday, June 23.

\$1,000 in cash prizes. Registration 9-11 a.m.

Tournament begins at noon. Final round at 4:30 p.m.

Entry fee is two new paper back books or a new classic video. Space is limited. For information, call 467-9257, ext. 4108.

CASH GIVEAWAY

\$500 drawings June 5, 13 and 20 at 8 p.m. in the Keno Lounge earn registration tickets by playing Keno.

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Time: 2 p.m. Friday, June 27 through 1 p.m. Sunday, June 29.

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First place \$2,500 and a trophy.

Second place \$1,000 and a plaque.

Third place \$500 and a plaque.

Awards luncheon for top 15 finishers at the Amazing Randolph's.

Rules available in the Keno Lounge on the second level.

Entertainment

Bay St. Louis

June 5, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Pure Gold, 8 and 10:30 p.m.

June 6, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Percy Sledge, 9 and 11:30 p.m.; Pure Gold, midnight-4 a.m.

June 7, Primetime, noon-4 p.m.; Pure Gold, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Chuck Ryan, midnight-4 a.m.

June 8, Pure Gold, 6 and 8:30 p.m.

June 10-12, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Pure Gold, 8 and 10:30 p.m.

June 13, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Pure Gold, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Davis & Sax, midnight-4 a.m.

June 14, Prime Time, noon-4 p.m.; Pure Gold, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Davis & Sax, midnight-4 a.m.

June 15, Pure Gold, 6 and 8:30 p.m.

June 17-19, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Chosen Few, 8 and 10:30 p.m.

June 20, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; Doug Kershaw, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Chosen Few, midnight-4 a.m.

June 21, Primetime, noon-4 p.m.; Doug Kershaw, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Chosen Few, midnight-4 a.m.

June 22, Chosen Few 6 and 8:30 p.m.

June 24-26, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; T. Graham Brown, 8 and 10:30 p.m.

June 27, Bobby Allison, noon-4 p.m.; T. Graham Brown, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Ed McDaniels, midnight-4 a.m.

June 28, Primetime, noon-4 p.m.; T. Graham Brown, 8 and 10:30 p.m.; Ed McDaniels, midnight-4 a.m.

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All shows free and on the casino's main lobby stage, unless otherwise indicated.

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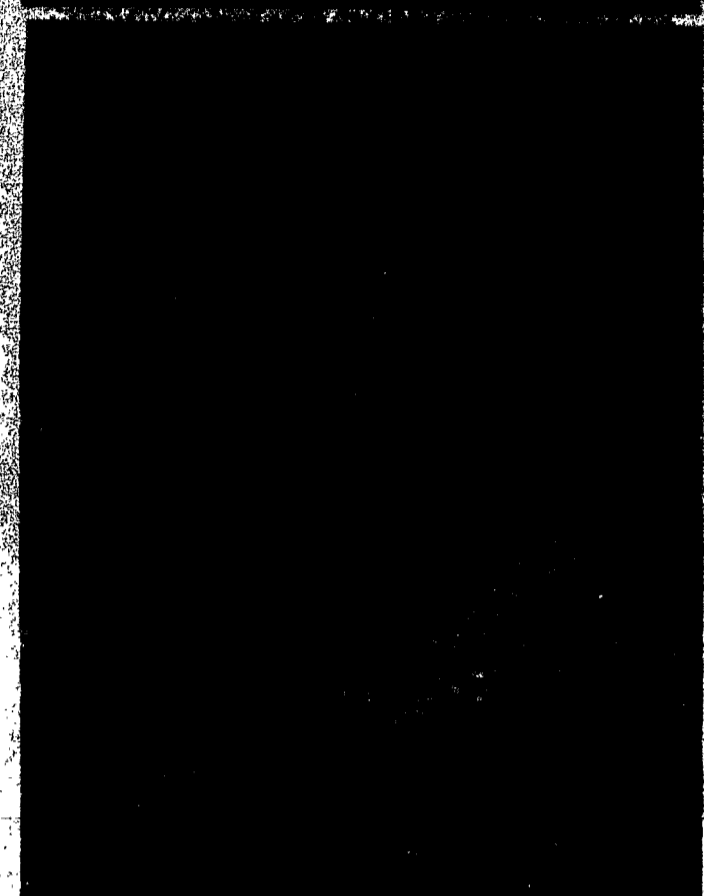
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"Island Fire Cafe" cast, from left, Stan Stanley, Brooke Bryant and Alan Mingo.

New show opens at Isle

The Isle of Capri Casino Crowne Plaza Resort will blaze into summer with "Island Fire Cafe," a new live musical featuring hot tropical rhythms and cool Caribbean moves.

Fourth in a series of tropically-themed revues at the Isle, "Island Fire Cafe" keeps the tradition of great live entertainment, but with a different twist. Set in an off-beat Caribbean beach club owned by Captain Eli "Moon Dog" Mason, the "Island Fire Cafe" comes alive nightly as the bar's staff and patrons sing and dance their dreams for the future.

Among the 17 popular tunes performed during the 40-minute production are "Fins," "I Can See Clearly Now," and "Sitting on the Dock of the Bay." Sinbad, an animated parrot and Captain Eli's feathered friend, also belts out a few tunes — when he's not cracking one liners.

Brooke Bryant, of Nashville, returns to the Isle's stage as Lolita, the female lead. Bryant opened the Isle's first show, "Island Fever," also as the female lead, in August 1995. Bryant has performed as a backup vocalist for Kenny Rogers and held several roles in the theater including Consuela in "West Side Story" and Mayelle Ewell in "To Kill a Mocking Bird."

Other "Island Fire Cafe" cast members include Stan Stanley of Nashville as Captain Eli; Alan Mingo of Los Angeles as Nick the bartender; and Tanya Parent of Pascagoula and Amy Sanderfur of Biloxi, both as dancers.

Stanley has performed with Barry Manilow and Sandi Patti. He has played the part of Matt in the "Fantasticks" and Simon Zealotes in "Jesus Christ Superstar." Mingo has worked professionally as an actor and singer for the past seven years on the East and West Coast.

"Island Fire Cafe" is presented by the J. B. Robin Company Inc. in association with Robert Kline Productions, both of Los Angeles. The show is produced and directed by Jim Bates, whose credits include "The U. S. Olympic Festival Opening Ceremonies" for ESPN and the "School House Rock" ABC-TV Home Video Series.

He has also choreographed for television the "53rd Presidential Inaugural Gala" for CBS, the "AFI Salute to Stephen Spielberg" for NBC, "The American Music Awards" for ABC and NBC's "Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade."

Judy Bates serves as associate director, Reggie Valdez, who performed in the first national tour of "Miss Saigon" and the Original Broadway revival of "Carousel," choreographed "Island Fire Cafe." Cal Warren

served as scenic and lighting director. Pete Menefee and Julie Nolan coordinated the wardrobe. The music production was developed by Mark Warner.

Show times are 6, 8 and 10 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, 5, 7, 9 and 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; and 3, 6 and 8 p.m. on Sunday through Sept. 7. "Island Fire Cafe" is free and fun for the entire family.

Charles later headed to Seattle in 1945 where he began his career in the music industry. While there, he met a young

musician, Chas. Jones, this partnership resulted in an introduction to the music life. It was Jones, a pianist, with a classical background, who he formed the duo. This was the first step toward a career in the music industry.

By the 1950s Ray Charles' career had begun to flourish. He had played the Apollo and had fulfilled his dream of performing at Carnegie Hall. He toured all of America and soon became an international celebrity. In 1966 Ray Charles was honored by the French government when he was made a Commander of Fine Arts and Letters.

For tickets call the Biloxi Grand Theatre Box Office at 1-800-WIN-2-WIN or 601-498-2940. Ticket prices are \$25/floor and \$20/balcony. Tickets are also available at all TicketMaster outlets.



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SPORTS

THE MISSISSIPPI BEING - THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1997

OLA track team has successful season

Our Lady Academy's seven-woman State Track Team placed third in the State 2A Girls Track Tournament in Jackson in mid-May by only one point.

"The best news of all," said track coach Harry Hull, "is that we're not losing any of this team. We will be back."

Competing with representatives from 25 schools throughout the state, OLA was edged by Potts Camp, West Tallahatchie won the state title, and St. Andrews captured second place.

OLA's State Team included juniors Emily Alford, Kristen Cannon and Melissa McPhail; sophomore Leslie Esher; freshmen Lauren Hansell and Beth Harris; and eighth grader LeToya Piernas.

In the state meet, Esher took third in the 400-meter dash in 1:01.47 and third in the 800-meter run in 2:32.54, "her personal best in both events," according to Coach Hull.

Cannon, Esher, McPhail and Piernas "performed their best ever (1:48:50)," said Hull when they placed third in the 800-meter relay. The teams running the 400-meter relay and the 1600-meter relay took fourth place in each.

Other members of the OLA team during the regular season

were Kim Frazier, hurdles; Georgmarie Moore, shot; Jill Rutherford, shot and discus; and Elizabeth Soroos, high jump.

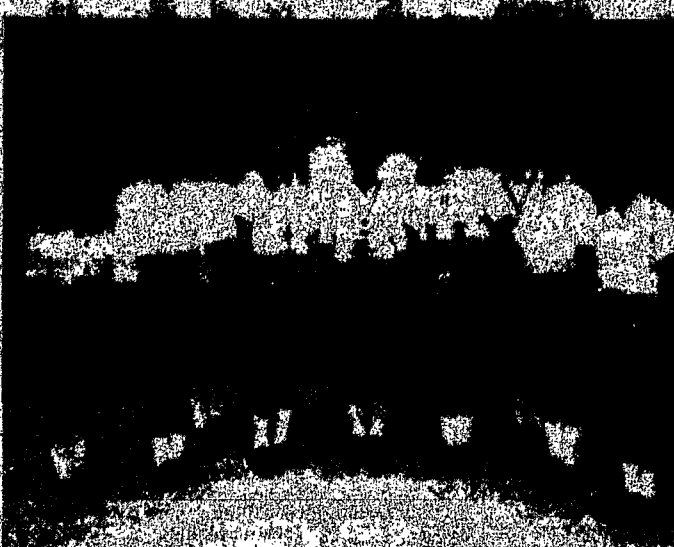
The team's season highlights include first place in the St. Stanislaus Work meet and the Rock Relays in March; the Gulf Coast Athletic Conference at Bay High, the District at Hancock High and the Regionals at Bay Springs in April.

In early May, OLA won second place in the South State Track Meet and qualified the seven team members for state.

In the Regionals, team members captured five first place titles: Cannon in the 200-meter dash; Esher in the 400-meter dash and 800-meter run; McPhail in the 1600-meter run; and Cannon, Esher, Hansell and McPhail in the 1600-meter relay.

Also, in the Regionals, team members secured four second place wins and four third place wins. Harris and Soroos obtained fourth place in 300-meter hurdles and high jump, respectively, and qualified for the South State Meet.

In the District Meet, OLA outscored the second place winner, Sumrall High School, by 217 points to 102.



OLA track team

Members of the 1996-97 track team of Our Lady Academy are, front from left, Kim Frazier, Lauren Hansell, Melissa McPhail, Kristen Cannon, Emily Alford, Leslie Esher and Beth Harris; back row, Jill Rutherford, Georgmarie Moore, Elizabeth Soroos and LeToya Piernas.

Sea Wolves re-sign Evans and Rochon

The Mississippi Sea Wolves announced they have re-signed their first two players for next season.

Kevin Evans, selected by fans as the Fan Favorite of the Year, returns as player-assistant coach. The 31-year-old left wing is pro hockey's all-time penalty minute leader with 4,456.

He led the ECHL in penalty minutes with 505 and accumulated the third highest single season penalty minute total in league history. Evans finished fifth in team scoring with 19 goals and 46 points.

"Other than being the most popular player, Kevin brings so many other things to the table. He is a leader, has tremendous character, hates to lose, is feared in the league and has the skill to score 20 goals," said Coach Bruce Boudreau.

The 12-year pro has played in the NHL with Minnesota and San Jose, the IHL with Kalamazoo and Peoria and the CHL with Memphis.

The Sea Wolves also secured Patrick Rochon for next season. The second year pro out of R.P.I. was selected by the fans as Co-

Defenseman of the Year. Rochon, 22, played 54 games, scored five goals and totaled 28 points.

He also played 16 games in the AHL with the Hershey Bears where he scored a goal and registered three points.

"Patrick improved a great deal over the course of the season," said Coach Boudreau. "He spent a month at the next level where he gained a lot of maturity. He has tremendous speed and should be an offensive force from the blueline. He is feisty and has great character, and we are very pleased to have him back."

Schonewitz wins Late Model Sportsman melee

Billy Joe Schonewitz made a clean sweep, claiming both heat and feature events in the Late Model Sportsman class at Sun Coast Speedway in Pass Christian. Track officials elected to forego time trials due to the extra time involved in preparing a rain-soaked race track.

After drawing for heat race starting positions, feature lineups were determined by heat race finishes. This put Schonewitz on the pole alongside Jamie Luzenberg for the nine-car feature.

Schonewitz shot to the front on the start followed by Mike Ladner and Bennie Spicer. The race quickly turned into a tenacious battle for position with Ladner trying to find a way around Schonewitz as he fought off a hard-charging Spicer.

Danny Thomas crossed up in turn four bringing out a caution which tightened things up for a single file restart. A lap car between Schonewitz and Ladner made contact with Schonewitz and crossed up in turn four. This collected up Spicer, Luzenberg and several others with Luzenberg being the only one unable to continue.

On the restart the battle continued with three wide action going into turn one and three. Ladner was able to make a pass on Schonewitz at one point, but could not hold onto the lead as Schonewitz was able to regain the position going into turn one. Ladner and Spicer made contact causing both to cross up in front of Marty Hardy who was also in the thick of the action.

This resulted in race-ending damage to both Ladner and Hardy, leaving only four of the nine starts in action. Spicer managed to move in behind Schonewitz but was unable to make a challenge for the lead with only a couple of laps remaining.

Bubba Trotter, Mark Pritch-

ett and Bill Stewart all won heat races in a large field of Street Stocks, while Joe McKay made the feature by claiming the consolation race. The 19-car field quickly dwindled to a nine-car field as a result of crashes, flats and mechanical problems. McKay was able to take advantage of several breaks which gave him the lead with only a couple of laps remaining. McKay took the checkers ahead of Pritchett and Mark Dillard to claim his first-ever Feature win.

Ronnie Roberts was another driver making a clean sweep by taking a heat race as well as the feature in the Pro Stock division. Larry Cifra, also a heat race winner, battled Roberts for the lead in the early going before getting out of shape and losing several positions. Gary Joiner kept Roberts honest as he chased him to the checkers, but was unable to mount a serious challenge for the lead. Wallace Allen held off Bryan Foy to finish in the third spot.

Bennie Rayner, another driver making his first trip to victory lane in a feature race this season, outdistanced Steve Underwood and Kanny Allison for the win. David Nicaise won the earlier heat, but had to pit early with mechanical problems in the feature.

Rookie Steve Keller, in only his second outing as a race car driver, won both heat and feature races in the Rookie Class. Michael Beech chased Keller to the finish line while Roger Ladner, in his first race ever, finished third.

Louie Morales Jr. won both heat and feature races in the Louisiana Super Trucks special event. Jim Gatlin and Richard Keller rounded out the top three. This was the second appearance of the Super Trucks at Sun Coast Speedway.

New law requires boating safety course

The deadline is approaching for anyone born after June 30, 1980 to take the required boater safety course offered by the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks. The law, which goes into effect July 1, was passed by the 1996 Legislature and requires the course to be successfully completed and the certificate of completion card to be on the vessel being operated.

Topics covered in the course include general information about boats, legal requirements, navigation rules, getting underway, accidents and special top-

ics. Although required of anyone born after June 30, 1980, it is open to all boaters in the state.

"The course is a very good course for all boaters. Most people who own and operate pleasure craft have never had a formal boating education course," said Jim Laird, director of Boating Enforcement, MDWFP.

The courses are being offered statewide by certified boating safety instructors. For information in your area, contact the MDWFP office at 454-5632 or the central office at 601-364-2184.

The first St. Stanislaus Baseball Camp is scheduled June 16-20 from 9 a.m.-noon at the Rock baseball field.

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91 Livestock

FOR SALE: 3/4 & 1/2 BLOOD BOER billys, weathers & nannies. 467-8066, 467-5169 or 467-4047.

PONY FOR SALE!! 255-6043.

93 Yard Sale

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE Thursday & Friday, 8am-5pm, 4158 Lake St. (off Ave. B) Shoreline Park.

4 FAMILY SALE: FURNITURE, COLLECTIBLES, clothing, miscellaneous items. June 6, 7, & 8, 9AM-3PM, 117 Boardman Ave., BSL.

CARPORT SALE: SAT., JUNE 7, 8AM. till 7:30. "Great Stuff", clothes, books, toys, bric-a-brac, etc. "No Junk", 1125 Longo St. off Nicholson Ave in Waveland.

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GARAGE SALE: JUNE 5, 6, & 7, 8am-3pm, 554 Hanauma Place, Diamondhead. Furniture, some antiques & misc.

GARAGE SALE: 436 PECAN PARK DR., BSL. Lots of goodies! NO EARLY BIRDS.

GARAGE SALE: FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 6215 South Railroad Ave., Clermont Harbor. 8am-4pm.

GARAGE SALE: 1444 BLUE MEADOW RD. Saturday, 7a.m. Toys, childrens clothes 0-4T, furniture, adult clothes, & more.

GARAGE SALE: 112 Old Pecan Grove Lane, Waveland. Friday & Saturday, 7a.m.-11a.m. Camper top, 3 wheel bike, etc.

MOVING SALE: 208 CAMELLIA ST., Waveland (off Kiln-Cut-Off Rd.), Thrus., Fri., Sat., 8am-11a. Washer, dryer, gas range, air conditioner, lawn mower, lg. rocker w/ottoman, etc.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE, 307-D Coleman Ave., Waveland, 10-3, Tues.-Thurs.-Fri., 10-12 Saturday. Baby, mens, womens clothes, housewares, & bric-a-brac.

YARD SALE - FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 85531 Diamondhead Drive West, 255-2095.

YARD SALE: THURSDAY, 9am-3pm, 6426 Lower Bay Rd.. New & used items, lots of misc.. Kitchen set, bedroom set, odds & ends furniture & collector items, 2 side-by-side refrigerators. 467-2947.

YARD SALE: FRIDAY, 8A.M.-12P.M. 1210 Russell Drive off Old Spanish Trail, Waveland. Too many items to list.

YARD SALE: FRIDAY, 9am-3pm. Everything must go! Too much to list. All offers considered. 7045 Fern Ave., 1 block off Hwy. 90, down Lakeshore Rd. 466-5248.

YARD SALE: SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 8am, 831 Deer St., Garden Isle. NO EARLY BIRDS.

YARD SALE: LOTS OF GOODIES! Bikes, toys, baby items, dishes, clothes, odds & ends. Hwy 90 & McLaurin, Waveland, June 5-15, 9a.m. till.

YARD SALE: KITCHEN, CRAFTS, linens and much more, 307 Main St., BSL, 10am, Saturday. NO EARLY BIRDS.

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96 Wanted To Buy

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136 Automobiles

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138 Trucks, Vans

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91 CHEVY EXTENDED CAB SILVERADO: private owner, loaded, \$9,500 obo. 467-0466.

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145 Roommates Wanted

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146 Rooms For Rent

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158 Unfurn. Houses For Rent

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152 Mobile Home Sites

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156 Lots/Acreage

FOR SALE: WATERFRONT LOT, near Jordan River, Shoreline Park. Sewage available, \$6,900. Owner financing. 601-467-5734.

LARGE LOT: PRIME BUILDING AREA, Waveland. All utilities, \$12,900. Only \$500 down, Owner financing. 601-467-5734.

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158 Commercial Property

3,000 SF. COMMERCIAL BUILDING on 6 acres, light industrial. Includes 120x50' slab, Kiln area, \$50,000 cash. Only interested inquiries. 255-9369, 255-4700.

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158 Commercial Property

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - PRIME Location. Highway 90, Waveland across from K-Mart shopping center. 145' x 250' (approx.). Call 467-0197.

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159 Houses For Sale

3 BEDROOM HOUSE - Central air/heat, vinyl siding, fenced yard on 3 lots. No O.F., \$55,000. 467-3451.

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159 Houses For Sale

BY OWNER: WATERFRONT HOME in Shoreline Park. 3 BR/2 BA with fireplace and fenced yard on 4 large lots. Must see \$120,000. 467-2859.

FOR SALE: 2 BR house, Bayshore Park. \$40,000 for both obo. 466-0124.

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Public Notice

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 27th of September, 1994, Raymond M. Mills and wife, Elizabeth A. Mills, executed a certain deed of trust to E. C. Stuart, Jr., Trustee, for the benefit of First Bank of Mobile, Mississippi, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Land Trust Deed Book 420, page 476, and

WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of April, 1997, First Bank of Mobile, Mississippi, substituted Byron Stockstill as Trustee in and for the above described Deed of Trust and the indebtedness secured thereby in lieu and in place of E. C. Stuart, Jr., as recorded in said Chancery Clerk's office in Land Trust Deed Book 420, page 476, and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, First Bank of Mobile, Mississippi, having requested the undersigned Trustee to execute and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees and Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Byron Stockstill, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on the 10th day of June, 1997, offer for sale at public outcry and seal within legal hours, being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at the East Front Door of the County Courthouse of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property lying and being situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

East Half of Northwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 5 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS my signature on this, the 30th day of April, 1997.

BYRON STOCKSTILL
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
6-5; 6-12; 6-19-97

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on the 27th of September, 1994, Betty Faye Prysock, executed a Deed of Trust to Janice H. Goff, Trustee for the benefit of Stuart Company, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 455, Page 718-723, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, substituted in this place and stead of the aforementioned Trustee, Charlene Roberts, by instrument dated April 29, 1997, and recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 460, Page 419, of the aforesaid records; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust is in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned Trustee to execute and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees and Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Charlene Roberts, Substituted Trustee, will on the 12th day of May, A.D., 1997, offer for sale at public outcry and seal within legal hours, being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at the East Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The West 321.00 feet of Lot 58, Deer Park Subdivision, Phase II, Hancock County, Mississippi, according to the official plat of said subdivision on file in Plat Book 6, Pages 28-29, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, containing 1.32 acres more or less.

The property is subject to a 10 foot utility easement, a 40 foot access easement and a 50 foot by 20 foot drainage easement.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

WITNESS my signature, upon this, the 12th day of May, A.D., 1997.

CHARLENE ROBERTS,
Substituted Trustee
6-5; 6-12; 6-19-97

NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, the United States of America, acting by and through the United States Department of Agriculture, is the owner and holder of the following real estate deed(s) of trust, securing an indebtedness therein mentioned and covering certain real estate hereinafter described located in Hancock County, Mississippi, said deed(s) of trust being duly recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk in and for said County and State:

GRANTOR(S): Roselin D. Watson
DEED EXECUTED: November 21, 1980
TRUST DEED BOOK: 231
PAGE: 468

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed(s) of trust, and the United States of America, as Beneficiary, has authorized and instructed me as Substituted Trustee to foreclose said deed(s) of trust by advertisement and sale at public auction in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor.

THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the power of sale contained in said deed(s) of trust and in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor, the said deed(s) of trust will be foreclosed and the property covered thereby and hereinafter described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the North front door of the County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, in the aforesaid County and will sell within legal hours, being between the hours of 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM on June 9, 1997, to satisfy the indebtedness now due under and secured by said deed(s) of trust.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

The premises to be sold are described as:

Lots 33 through 36, inclusive, GULFSIDE SITES SUBDIVISION, Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Date: May 15, 1997

Carol M. Cowart
Substituted Trustee

Duly authorized to act in the premises by instrument dated August 27, 1995, and recorded in Book 1, Page 7, of the records of the aforesaid County and State.

6-5; 6-12; 6-19-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GORDON O'NEAL GARCIA, DECEASED
GORDON A. GARCIA, ADMINISTRATOR
CAUSE NO. 95-0572

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TO: THE UNKNOWN OR KNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OR ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT OR INTEREST AS HEIRS OR BENEFICIARIES OF GORDON O'NEAL GARCIA, DECEASED, PURSUANT TO MISSISSIPPI CODE SECTION 11-7-13.

A PETITION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF HEIRSHIP AND BENEFICIARIES OF WRONGFUL DEATH CLAIM, AND TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT has been filed in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, by Gordon A. Garcia, Administrator of the Estate of Gordon O'Neal Garcia, Deceased, and Gordon A. Garcia, Linda G. Lutch and Dorothy G. Ulrich, individually and as heirs at law of their father, Gordon O'Neal Garcia, deceased, seeking to name said heirs at law as the sole and only heirs at law of the deceased, and sole and only beneficiaries under Mississippi Code Section 11-7-13, all of which is set out in said Petition on file in this Court.

You are summoned to appear and defend against this Petition filed in this action at 9:30 a.m. on the 11th day of July, 1997, in the Chancery Courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered for the relief demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you can do so if you desire in care of Pittman Law Firm, P.O. Drawer 17138, Hattiesburg, MS 39404-7138.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court on this, the 30th day of May, 1997.

(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
Chancery Clerk
By Angela Lechner
6-5 6-12; 6-19-97

Discovery Center to host Workshop

The Lynn Meadows Discovery Center will host its first on-site educational program Saturday, June 12 from 8 a.m.-noon.

The "writing for children" workshop titled "Adding Humor to Your Work" will be taught by Mike Artell. Adults interested in writing children's books or teachers interested in teaching the writing craft will be challenged to use humor in their own story-telling, and Artell encourages anyone, with or without experience, to enroll for this half-day workshop for a nominal fee of \$20.

Reservations for the seminar should be made in advance by calling the Center at 897-6039. Mike Artell, from Covington, La., has written and illustrated dozens of children's books and teacher resource books. Twice, his books have been selected by American Bookseller Magazine as "Pick of the Lists" and his newly illustrated version of Clement Moore's "Twas the Night Before Christmas" was featured on the ABC television show "Full House."

As part of its mission, the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center will offer educational workshops and conferences, and also provide an on-site teacher and parent resource center to continually offer the community adult education resources. This is in addition to its primary mission of educating and entertaining children.

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JESSE J. BRITAIN
LINDA ANN B. FRANK
PEGGY ANN B. CHILDS, PETITIONERS
VS.
HEIRS AT LAW OF MARIAN BERNIUS BRITAIN, DECEASED, DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 97-0373

TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARIAN BERNIUS BRITAIN, DECEASED, (other than Petitioners), whose names, addresses, both post office and street addresses, and places of residence are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Jesse J. Britain, Linda Ann B. Frank and Peggy Ann B. Childs, Petitioners, seeking the adjudication that Petitioners are sole heirs at law of Marian Bernius Britain, Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 11th day of July, 1997, in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Court Annex at 308 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this 3rd day of June, 1997.

(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CHANCERY CLERK
BY KIM BONANO
DEPUTY CLERK
6-5; 6-12; 6-19-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANDREW DANIEL STONE, DECEASED, ANDREW DANIEL STONE, JR. AND LAURI EUGENIA STONE, PETITIONERS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CAUSE NO. 97-0301

Notice is hereby given upon this day, Letters of Administration having been issued to the undersigned upon the Estate of ANDREW DANIEL STONE, deceased, being administered in Cause No. 97-0301 on docket of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and they must probate and register their claims against said estate within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this Notice. Failure to do so will forever bar said claims.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES on this the 23rd day of MAY, A.D., 1997.

ANDREW DANIEL STONE, JR.,
Co-Administrator of the Estate
OF ANDREW DANIEL STONE,
deceased

LAURI EUGENIA STONE,
Co-Administrator of the Estate
OF ANDREW DANIEL STONE,
deceased

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, this the 23rd day of MAY A.D., 1997.

(SEAL)

George Hamilton Bilyrey
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: February 26, 1999.

FILED, on this 28th day of May, A.D., 1997.

HON. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CHANCERY CLERK
BY: Pamela Cuevas
6-5; 6-12; 6-19-97

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Reference: Weisman, Inc. Project Port Blaville Industrial Park Supply and Install Piping on Sleepers

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the "Supply and Install Piping on Sleepers" at the Weisman, Inc. plant site at the Port Blaville Industrial Park, Hancock County, Mississippi, will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission at Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, until 2:00 PM CDT, July 8, 1997.

This work consist of approximately 2400 LF of 6" carbon steel, 8" carbon steel, and 10" stainless steel pipe constructed on concrete sleepers and steel T-poles within the Weisman site and in the Port Blaville Road right of way. Harbor Commission office at Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, telephone (601) 467-9231 by qualified and licensed contractors upon payment of \$100.00. This A-bone and jack road and rail crossing is also included in this work.

A complete set of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission.

All prospective bidders are cautioned that, in order to be valid, bids must clearly show the Contractor's Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number both on the outside of the envelope as well as a part of the bid package itself.

The Commission reserves the right to waive any informalities and/or to reject any or all bids, as well as to postpone the award of any Contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the bid opening.

Hancock County
Port and Harbor Commission
By: Harry J. Farns, Secretary
Date: June 5, 1997

06/05; 06/12/97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PETER R. BERNIUS, JR.
DEBORAH A. BERNIUS WALTZ
JOHN F. BERNIUS, PETITIONERS
VS.
HEIRS AT LAW OF PETER R. BERNIUS, JR., DECEASED, DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 97-0371

TO: (1) THE HEIRS AT LAW OF PETER R. BERNIUS, JR., DECEASED (other than Petitioners), whose names, addresses, both post office and street addresses, and places of residence are unknown after diligent search and inquiry;

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Peter R. Bernius, Jr., Deborah A. Bernius Waltz, and John F. Bernius, Petitioners, seeking the adjudication that Petitioners are sole heirs at law of Peter R. Bernius, Jr., Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 11th day of July, 1997, in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Court Annex at 308 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

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ere and parents.

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On June 18-19 Mississippi nonprofit leaders will have the opportunity to attend the 7th annual Mississippi Management Seminar for Nonprofits.

The seminar will take place in Jackson at the Ramada Plaza. It is sponsored by 18 United Ways across the state and boosted by grants from foundation and corporate sponsors.

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Representatives from W. K. Kellogg, Mary Reynolds, Babcock and F. B. Heron Foundations are among the lineup at the June management seminar.

June 18 will feature Christopher T. Gates, president of the National Civic League Coalition Building as the keynote

speaker: Boyce Stayman, executive director of the Massachusetts Council of Human Service Providers will speak June 19.

"This statewide nonprofit conference has provided valuable training to over 1,500 Mississippi nonprofit leaders and received United Way of America's 'Reach for the Stars' award as the best nonprofit training event in the nation," reported Jo Prichard, consultant. "And our 1997 conference promises to be our best."

Organizations or individuals who would like information about the conference, registration and scholarships are encouraged to contact United Way of South Mississippi at 863-4884.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 97-0157

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration for the Estate of Marion Taffara Chevalier, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 13th day of May, 1997, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice. Failure to do so will bar the claim.

The 30 day of May, 1997.

MARY C. SIMONEAUX
Administratrix

Jennifer West Signs, Etc.
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ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE
TO THE CREDITORS OF CARLOS L. BILBO:
NO. 97-0344

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 19th day of May, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Cause No. 97-0344 to the undersigned upon the Estate of CARLOS L. BILBO, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice on the 5 day of June 1997, or the claims will ever be barred.

THIS, the 19th day of May, 1997.

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Lots 33 through 36, Gulfside Sites Subdivision MS. (3 bedroom, 1 bath, brick veneer dwelling with central heat and air). Located at 815 St. Joseph Street, Waveland, MS.

The sale will be held at the north door of the Hancock County Courthouse to satisfy that certain Deed of Trust filed for record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, MS in Trust Deed Book 231 at Page 468. For complete legal description and details of the sale, please refer to the Substituted Trustee's/Trustee's Notice of Sale in the legal section of this newspaper.

For more information, contact the Local County Office at (601) 467-9008 or 835 Hwy. 90, Suite 4, Bay St. Louis, MS.



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people of Ward 3, since they put me in office, and for the city as a whole."

Mayor Eddie Favre and council members James Rutherford, Tad Black, Jim Thriffley and Moran had already secured their seats since they faced no opposition in the general

election.

The general election results were: Favre-291 votes, Rutherford-255 votes, Moran-32 votes, Thriffley-22 votes, Lampley-345 votes, Clarke-28 votes and Black-23 votes.

Pilot

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April 28. "But I tell you no words can express the feeling of standing on Kill Devil Hill where Wilbur and Orville Wright made their first flight. God, I'm proud to be an American."

It was a moment Horton will long remember. He was being honored along with several other top American pilots at a meeting of the National Aeronautic Association in the Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum.

There he received a plaque attesting to a speed record he had set on a flight in his sleek Comanche 400 airplane from Gulfport to Kitty Hawk, N.C., the site of Kill Devil Hill and the Wright brothers' historic flight.

He had flown at an average speed of nearly 260 miles an hour, a record for his class of airplane.

The achievement was one of the latest among many for Horton and his Comanche 400. A relatively recent convert to air racing but a long-time devotee of speed, he began flying in 1982, set his first speed record in 1992, and won his first air race three years later. Already this year he has added a victory in one race to his record of top finishes and to a list of speed records.

And early next week, he will seek to add yet another prize to an already crowded shelf in his chest of trophies, taking off in a race that will zigzag from airport to airport across country from Albuquerque to the Charlotte, NC. area.

The six-foot, 46-year-old flyer, his wife, Wanda, and their 11-year-old son Sean are members of a singular sort of neighborhood in Diamondhead, a community they regard as a special kind of place, developed to accommodate residents with a broad variety of interests, from aviation to fishing, golfing, sailing and tennis.

For his exploits, Charlie and Wanda are surely the most noted among more than a dozen couples in a neighborhood of flyers that has grown up as an offshoot of Diamondhead's private airport. They live in attractive homes backing onto a taxiway and branches off from the airport runway. Each of the flying couples have broad lots with space enough for hangars to house their own private airplanes.

They are a close-knit group who get together often to discuss common interests, as several did at the Horton hangar the other day when the subject was improvements to their taxi strip. They also sometimes gather for more pleasurable purposes, as several did Sunday on a fly-in to Dauphin Island, Ala.

Along with his friends Dana Munns, Mario and Charlotte Feola, their children and children's playmates, Horton took off on the 90-mile flight for a leisurely lunch at the Seafood Galley, an Island restaurant.

It was no accident that Charlie and Wanda built what they call their "dream home" in the airport neighborhood a couple of years ago. As his interest in flying had grown, he had been looking for a place where he could have both his home and hangar near an airport. And what he found in Diamondhead overcame the disadvantage of a daily hour-long drive to his business in Metairie, La.

"I decided this was what I had been looking for," he said. "This place had everything, including the friendliest people."

It was not long, others note, before his circle expanded. Recently, for example, his hangar was the spacious host site for the annual Derby Day party of the Diamondhead Boaters Association.

Horton's most recent exploit was a victory a couple of months ago in an air race called the Sun 60, a 60-mile race with tight turns around two points at Lakeland, Fla. sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association.

That, Horton recalls, was a high point in a story that began in suburban Metairie with lessons learned at the knee of a

father who was an engineer and, as Charlie recalls, a tough but gentle taskmaster.

"Talk about a wealth of knowledge," Horton said. "He opened my mind to what was possible. You find out nothing is impossible."

As a youth, Horton was fascinated with speed, applying the mechanical skills he absorbed from his father, souping up an old Dodge charger and turning go-carts and dragsters for early races. In one of those, at the age of 17, he won a Southern sprint-car championship.

But the path to a career in automotive work and an avocation in air racing was not without its bumps. A summer accident and a broken leg interrupted a college career, and that interruption exposed him to the Army draft and to a year-long tour of duty in Vietnam.

But it was there that he gained a knowledge of explosives that led, after an interlude as a mechanic in an auto shop, to a career as commercial diver, tackling tough underwater rigging jobs and, at times, battling blowouts such as one on a deep-water gas well that threatened both lives and a multimillion-dollar rig. Working alone underwater where one misstep could have been fatal, he capped the blowing gas.

It was success in that career that enabled him several years ago to return to Metairie and buy Clearview Auto Inc., the general auto repair business where he once worked as a mechanic. And it was success in that business that enabled Horton to pursue the flying avocation that had been a boyhood dream.

As Horton recalls, he sat down one day and made a list of goals that included flying, surfing and sport diving. One thing led to another and all finally led to his possession of the Comanche 400, the speedster he now flies and to his air-racing exploits.

Along the way Horton has also set several speed records. His first was for a flight in his class of plane from New Orleans to Oshkosh, Wis., and another was for a flight from New Orleans to St. Louis, wiping out a mark set by a Beechcraft Bonanza that had stood for many years.

"You pick up a racing mentality," Horton said, explaining the fascination that has led to his pursuit of speed. "You learn how to pick up an advantage without increasing your risks too much."



Thanking voters

Ward 4 Alderman Yvonne "Vonnice" Bodenschatz thanks supporters at her victory party Tuesday night. The incumbent Republican fought off a challenge by Democrat Arthur Balch to retain her seat on the five-member Pass Christian Board of Aldermen. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

Returns

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votes, or 63 percent, to 190 or 37 percent, for Shultz.

Around 8:15 Tuesday night, Bodenschatz was greeted by more than 100 cheering supporters as she arrived at a local downtown cafe.

She thanked her supporters, saying, "I wasn't the winner of this race. We are the winners. I work for you."

Bodenschatz's campaign slogan, "A Passion for the Pass," seemed to have captured the imagination of voters in her ward.

She staged a vigorous door-to-door campaign, promising she would be accessible to constituents and would listen to their suggestions and concerns.

"My people have worked with me (during her first term) and I have stressed communication," Bodenschatz told the Echo. She says, before any vote on controversial issue facing the board, "I call my people at random to get their input. I promised I would be their voice in city government, and I've done it."

Rogers seemed disappointed that he lost his bid for a fourth consecutive term, but said he had enjoyed being involved in city politics over the last 12 years.

He said he thought voter turnout was low because of the three elections that preceded the general election.

"A lot of people just didn't turn out this time," said Rogers.

He also claimed "rumors about my attendance at board meetings also might have hurt me."

Rogers pledged his full support for the incoming mayor and Board of Aldermen, and said he hasn't written off some form of public service in the future.

"I'm going to hold my options

open for anything that might come up in the next few years," said Rogers.

McDermott will be the only new face on the five-member Board of Aldermen.

Ward 1 Aldermen Jeff Emerson, a Republican, was unopposed for a second term, as was Democratic incumbent Michael Antoine in Ward 3.

Ward 2 incumbent Democrat Margaret Jean Kalif survived a challenge by Joseph B. Piernas Sr. with a 13-vote margin of victory in the May runoff election, and she had no Republican opposition.

Democratic Mayor Billy McDonald was unopposed in his bid for a full four-year term.

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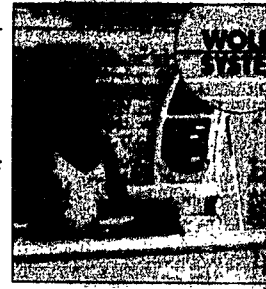
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